# Behavioral Health Advisory Council Pierre, South Dakota

March 15, 2023

# **Advisory Council Members Present**

- 1. Dianna Marshall, DRSD
- 2. Melanie Boetel, DBH Representative
- 3. Angie Dammer (Chair), Family Member
- 4. Ashlee Rathbun (Vice-Chair), Family Member
- 5. Lorraine Polak, SDHDA
- 6. Sarah Aker, Medicaid
- 7. Matt Glanzer, Recovery from SUD
- 8. Wendy Figland, Family Member

- 9. Jason Lillich, SUD Director
- 10. Angela Murphy, Adult living with SMI
- 11. Jon Sommervold, Adult in recovery from SUD
- 12. Faith Goehring, Adult Living with SMI
- 13. Rosanne Summerside, Family Member
- 14. Christie Lueth, Mental Health Professional
- 15. Penny Kelley, Family Member
- 16. Joanne Hairy Shirt, Family Member

# **Advisory Council Members Absent**

- 1. Chuck Frieberg, UJS
- 2. Rebecca Cain, DOE
- 3. Colleen Lane. Indian Health Services
- 4. Kristi Bunkers, DOC
- 5. Dominique Tigert, Family Member

- 6. Eric Weiss, Rehabilitation Services
- 7. Pamela Bennett, DSS Representative
- 8. Bryan Harberts, PRTF Representative
- 9. Kara Graveman, Prevention Provider

#### **Behavioral Health Staff Present**

- 1. Jennifer Humphrey
- 2. Tiffany Glaser
- 3. Jackie Anderson

- 4. Shaina Smykle
- 5. Drew Ausborn
- 6. Michelle Worden

#### Others in Attendance

- 1. Matt Hammer, Lawrence & Schiller
- 2. Austyn Freeman, Lawrence & Schiller
- 3. Deb Butler

- 4. Jill Kruger
- 5. Tina Wellbig
- 6. Phyllis Arends

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of the Advisory Council shall be to guide the Division of Behavioral Health with the planning, coordination, and development of the state comprehensive behavioral health services plan. The Advisory Council shall advocate on behalf of persons served to ensure their highest attainable degree of independence, productivity, community integration and quality of services. The Advisory Council will also advise the Division of Behavioral Health on statewide treatment, prevention, and rehabilitation needs within the current behavioral health system.

## Minutes:

#### I. Call to Order / Welcome and Introductions

March 15, 2023 the Behavioral Health Advisory Council meeting was called to order by Chair, Angie Dammer. Jennifer Humphrey took attendance.

#### II. Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes

The Advisory Council reviewed the November 2022 meeting minutes. Sarah Aker moved to

approve. Ashlee Rathbun seconded the motion. Motion carried, all approved.

# III. Lawrence & Schiller – Behavioral Health Awareness Campaign

Matt Hammer with Lawrence & Schiller (L&S) presented on the results of the research conducted for the overall behavioral health awareness campaign.

Kristi Bunkers asked if there were differences in perceptions based on age. Matt relayed that they did collect demographics and are still diving into some of the more nuanced types of pieces, but would assume that there might be some differences specifically with age. Wendy expressed liking the creative concept "Notes to Self" because it takes some of the responsibility off those that are dealing with mental health and/or substance use disorders, and puts it back on to the community to help. Matt Glanzer asked how the survey was sent out. Matt relayed that L&S has recruitment partners that help find people to do research. They don't tell the individuals what the study is about. It's all based off of what we're looking at from a demographic standpoint to ensure we are getting a representative distribution of South Dakotans.

#### IV. Break

# V. Behavioral Health Services Human Services Center (HSC)

Melanie Boetel announced that Jeremy Johnson could not attend today, but that the Advisory Council can submit any questions they may have and Jennifer Humphrey will follow-up from there.

#### **Legislative Session**

Melanie Boetel provided the following legislative session updates.

DBH brought two budget requests forward related to supporting the crisis continuum in SD, both of which were approved, however, pending the Governor's final signature.

- \$1.5 million to permanently support 988
- \$5.6 million to permanently support 26 beds in appropriate regional facilities.

SB7 (<a href="https://sdlegislature.gov/Session/Bill/23789">https://sdlegislature.gov/Session/Bill/23789</a>) – provided clarification in statute about the ability for ARF staff to initiate an involuntary 24-hour hold.

SB8 (<a href="https://sdlegislature.gov/Session/Bill/23807">https://sdlegislature.gov/Session/Bill/23807</a>) – proposed by the Board of Addiction and Prevention Professionals as part of a plan to modernize the regulation of addiction and prevention professionals, and remove unnecessary barriers to becoming certified/licensed in the field, not limited to the following;

- Changed the renewal timeline;
- Allows the board to license applicants with a criminal conviction if the board determines the offense was remote enough in time or of a nature to not pose a risk to the public;
- Clarifies the requirements/expectations of electronic means; and
- Clarifies complaint procedures.

SB67 (<a href="https://sdlegislature.gov/Session/Bill/23818">https://sdlegislature.gov/Session/Bill/23818</a>) – revised provisions related to emergency and involuntary commitment for alcohol and drug abuse; shoring up the process between the emergency detainment and getting an examination for the involuntary commitment, if still appropriate.

SB72 (<a href="https://sdlegislature.gov/Session/Bill/23808">https://sdlegislature.gov/Session/Bill/23808</a>) – addressed restoration to competency and timely discharges of a defendant once restoration has been completed rather than continuing to be held at HSC while awaiting trial.

DBH provided testimony that gambling was not in the best interest of the citizens of SD.

- SB117 (<a href="https://sdlegislature.gov/Session/Bill/24203">https://sdlegislature.gov/Session/Bill/24203</a>) sought to raise the dollar limits on video lottery machines.
- SB209 (<a href="https://sdlegislature.gov/Session/Bill/24205">https://sdlegislature.gov/Session/Bill/24205</a>) sought to increase locations where sports betting could occur.
- HJR5006 (<a href="https://sdlegislature.gov/Session/Bill/24340">https://sdlegislature.gov/Session/Bill/24340</a>) sought to bring a constitutional amendment to public vote about expanding sports betting.

#### Fiscal & Contract Management

Melanie Boetel introduced Jackie Anderson, the new Fiscal & Contract Management Program Manager.

Melanie provided an overview of the FY23 Quarter 2 expenditures in the areas of substance use treatment and mental health services. Matt Glanzer asked why the Juvenile Justice Reinvestment Initiative (JJRI) expenditures are low. Melanie indicated that with a JJRI referral there is a specific process to access those services in addition to a specific billing code to identify those services. In talking with our providers and referral sources, clients are getting referred, but not always through the JJRI process. In some cases they are getting served through outpatient treatment portion of the budget. So we are working on some ways that we can identify those who are really accessing those services and adjust some flexibility around that.

# Office of Treatment, Training & Support Services

#### Staff Update

Melanie Boetel introduced Michelle Worden, the new Assistant Director to the Office of Treatment, Training & Support Services.

Melanie provided the following updates for the Office of Treatment, Training & Support Services.

#### Residential Alternative Care Programs

In 2022, SB196 appropriated \$5,000,000 in one-time state general funds to DSS to provide grants to support alcohol and drug abuse recovery programs and services for women delivered through residential alternative care programs.

The division is working on a communication plan to raise awareness about the RFP opportunity. A comprehensive list is currently being put together to include current supported housing providers, treatment agencies who may be aware of work in their communities, homeless shelters, community assistance programs, and domestic violence shelters. Melanie asked the Advisory Council for suggestions on who to reach out to. Lorraine Polak asked if this was being shared with the SD Homeless Consortium. Jennifer Humphrey indicated that it was and could also be found at <a href="https://dss.sd.gov/keyresources/rfp.aspx">https://dss.sd.gov/keyresources/rfp.aspx</a>. Jennifer encouraged the Advisory Council to share this link with any entities who they think may be interested.

#### Workforce Development

Sage Project Consultants is working with the division on a comprehensive workforce development strategic plan. Phase 1 of the project includes:

- A landscape analysis which includes reviewing data available to understand behavioral health workforce availability and capacity in SD; and creating an inventory of resources available in SD and in other states that could be utilized towards these efforts.
- Stakeholder input which will include site visits, interviews & surveys with three key groups:
  - o Current behavioral health professionals to include clinicians and administrators;
  - Professionals in training to include graduate and undergraduate students seeking degrees in the field, and post-secondary administrators overseeing those programs of study; and
  - Emerging workforce to include students in high school who are expressing an interest in a career in behavioral health.

A summary report of Phase One is expected to be completed by end of May and will also include recommendations for next steps. Melanie asked the Advisory Council for feedback or suggestions to consider for this project. No feedback was received.

# **School-Based Initiatives**

In partnership with the Department of Health, the division provides funding support to the University of South Dakota's School Psychology program to coordinate and deliver training in the PREPaRE school safety and crisis preparedness curriculum. Since 2021, almost 300 individuals have been trained in Workshop 1, which covers comprehensive school safety planning; and almost 250 individuals in Workshop 2 which focuses on mental health crisis interventions to respond to acute stressors in schools.

The division also provides support to the University of South Dakota to coordinate professional development for educators and other youth-serving professionals, by offering a recorded video speaker series totaling nine sessions, delivered by some of the nation's most renowned speakers, researchers and professionals in the field of school crisis prevention and response. The speaker series is called "When Crisis Comes: Supporting Students in Schools". Since September 2022, over 739 individuals have participated in this training series, representing over 123 school districts, receiving 877 total continuing education units. In January 2023, 125 continuing education units were requested. With additional snow days during the week of February 20 over 44,000 minutes of video viewing occurred, with a total of over 74,000 minutes viewed since the beginning of the school year. Registration and additional information can be found at <a href="https://form.jotform.com/221954899285172">https://form.jotform.com/221954899285172</a>. This series is free of charge and available throughout the 2022-2023 school year. Continuing education units are available.

## National Opioid Settlement

To date, DSS has received 2,508,362.81 from the Distributor Settlement. The Opioid Advisory Committee met January 6<sup>th</sup> and the following recommendations were approved:

- Support the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program and Controlled Substance Registry.
- Fund the implementation of an opioid overdose follow-up program.
- Make 25% of the funding available to communities, provider organizations, cities, and counties.
- Retain the remaining amount of funds to establish a reserve that would be available to support state-level efforts if federal funding related to opioid would end.

For more information, visit:

https://dss.sd.gov/docs/behavioralhealth/grantinfo/DSS\_Opioid\_Settlement\_Update.pdf.

# Office of Prevention & Crisis Services

Melanie Boetel announced Tiffany Glaser's new role as Assistant Director to the Office of Prevention and Crisis Services. Tiffany's previous role as Assistant Director to the Office of Performance Management & Outcomes.

Tiffany Glaser provided the following updates for the Office of Prevention & Crisis Services. <u>Prevention Strategic Plan</u>

Guidehouse has provided draft versions of a new prevention strategic plan, strategic framework, and logic model using input from various stakeholders across the state regarding the strengths and areas of opportunity related to our current prevention system. This plan outlines the vision and strategies for both substance use prevention and mental health promotion in South Dakota for 2023-2028. The division is working with providers to finalize these documents by July 1<sup>st</sup>. A final draft version with the BHAC during June's meeting.

#### Appropriate Regional Facilities (ARF)

The Human Service Agency's ARF is anticipated to open in March 2023 in Watertown with four crisis beds. Pivot Point in Rapid City opened the assessment side of their ARF on February 20th and expects to open their stabilization unit in late spring/early summer. Lewis & Clark Behavioral Health Services currently has four crisis beds located within the hospital in Yankton.

#### Office of Performance Management & Outcomes

Melanie Boetel announced Andrew Ausborn as the new Assistant Director to the Office of Performance Management & Outcomes. Melanie also announced that Zach King, the Data & Outcomes Program Manager has accepted a position with Medical Services. The division is currently accepting applications at this time for his position.

#### State Epidemiological Outcomes Workgroup (SEOW)

Melanie reported that the division's Epidemiologist, Colleen Beyer, has been reviewing available data sources regarding behavioral health measures (suicide, mental health, substance use) and drafting a report which shows what is happening in SD and how the state compares to the rest of the nation. We anticipate being able to share the report with the BHAC during June's meeting. SD's State Epidemiological Outcomes website is found here: <a href="https://www.sdseow.org/">https://www.sdseow.org/</a> with many reports and data resources available in one location.

# VI. Open Discussion/Council Member Updates

No open discussion or council member updates were received.

#### VII. Public Comment / Testimony

No public comment or testimony was received.

# VIII. Future Meetings

Wednesday, June 7<sup>th</sup> - In-person

Future presentation requests and agenda items should be directed to Jennifer Humphrey.

# IX.

**Adjourn**Meeting adjourned.